## **CLAIMS**

What is claimed is:

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1. A method for measuring IQ path mismatch in transceivers, the method comprising:

estimating a transmitter IQ mismatch in a form of gain and phase response for transmitter I and Q paths sharing a receiver path; and

estimating a receiver IQ mismatch in a form of gain and phase response for receiver I and Q paths sharing a signal source.

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2. The method of claim 1 wherein estimating a transmitter IQ mismatch and estimating a receiver IQ mismatch further comprises measuring a difference in the gain and phase response between the transmitter I and Q paths and between the receiver I and Q paths.

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3. The method of claim 2 wherein measuring further comprises sending a tone signal and measuring a power and phase shift for all of desired frequency points.

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4. The method of claim 3 wherein measuring further comprises sending uniformly spaced multi-tone white signals, taking a fast Fourier transform (FFT) of a unit period of the uniformly spaced multi-tone white signals, and calculating the response from a power and phase of each tone.

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- 5. The method of claim 2 further comprising compensating for the difference of the transmitter and receiver I and Q paths using a digital FIR filter.
- 6. The method of claim 5 further comprising utilizing iterative estimation for filter tap parameters during the compensating.
- 7. A system for estimation of IQ path mismatch during signal modulation, the system comprising

a transceiver, the transceiver including a transmitter and a receiver; and

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a processor coupled to the transceiver, the processor identifying a transmitter IQ mismatch in a form of gain and phase response for transmitter I and Q paths sharing a receiver path, and identifying a receiver IQ mismatch in a form of gain and phase response for receiver I and Q paths sharing a signal source.

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- 8. The system of claim 7 wherein the processor identifies a transmitter IQ mismatch and identifies a receiver IQ mismatch by measuring a difference in the gain and phase response between the transmitter I and Q paths and between the receiver I and Q paths.
- 9. The system of claim 8 wherein the processor sends a tone signal and measures a power and phase shift for all of desired frequency points.

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- 10. The system of claim 9 wherein the processor sends uniformly spaced multi-tone white signals, taking a fast Fourier transform (FFT) of a unit period of the uniformly spaced multi-tone white signals, and calculating the response from a power and phase of each tone.
- 11. The system of claim 8 further comprising a digital FIR filter coupled to the transmitter and receiver paths that compensates for the difference of the transmitter and receiver I and Q paths.
- 12. The system of claim 11 wherein the processor utilizes iterative estimation for filter tap parameters during the compensating.
- 13. A method for estimating IQ path mismatch in a transceiver, the method comprising:

measuring a difference in the gain and phase response between transmitter I and Q paths and between receiver I and Q paths of a transceiver, the transmitter I and Q paths sharing a receiver path and the receiver I and Q paths sharing a signal source; and

compensating for the difference of the transmitter and receiver I and Q paths using a digital FIR filter.

14. The method of claim 13 wherein measuring further comprises sending a tone signal and measuring a power and phase shift for all of desired frequency points.

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15. The method of claim 14 wherein measuring further comprises sending uniformly spaced multi-tone white signals, taking a fast Fourier transform (FFT) of a unit period of the uniformly spaced multi-tone white signals, and calculating the response from a power and phase of each tone.

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- 16. The method of claim 15 wherein compensating further comprises utilizing iterative estimation for filter tap parameters.
- 17. The method of claim 16 further comprising performing the measuring and compensating for spectrum efficient modulation.

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